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CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1. (Currently Amended) A method of collecting and disseminating survey information comprising the steps of:

establishing communication between a client and a survey collector having previously collected survey results;

receiving by the survey collector a request from the client for the previously collected survey results;

providing the client with a survey questionnaire from the survey collector;

receiving—by—the—survey—collector—from—the—client—a—survey response—to—the—survey questionnaire;

receiving by the survey collector identifying indicia from the client;

correlating-the-identifying indicia with-a-database; and, if a relationship-exists between the identifying-indicia-und-the-client:

providing access to the previously collected survey results to the client only if the survey collector receives a response to the survey questionnaire from the client; and

rejecting the client's request for the survey results if a response to the survey questionnaire is not received from the client.

- 2. (Original) The method of Claim 1 wherein the step of establishing communication is done via the internet.
- 3. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1 further comprising the step of relating the survey questionnaire by subject matter to the previously collected survey results.
- 4. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 3 wherein the request for the previously collected survey results and the survey questionnaire are related to automotive vehicles.
- 5. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 3 [[1]] wherein the step of providing the client with the survey questionnaire includes requesting the identifying indicia from the client.

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- 42007-7021 (248) 647-6000 6. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 3 [[1]] wherein the identifying indicia is a product identification number.
 - 7. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 3 [[1]] wherein the identifying indicia is a VIN number.
 - 8. (Canceled)
- CENTER DR., SURE 330, P.O. 80X 7021 9. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1, including the steps of: receiving by the survey collector identifying indicia from the client; and correlating the identifying indicia with a database to determine wherein said-correlating step determines if a relationship exists between the identifying indicia and the subject matter of the survey questionnaire.
 - 10. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1, including the steps of: receiving by the survey collector identifying indicia from the client; and correlating the identifying indicia with a database to determine wherein said correlating step determines if a relationship exists between the identifying indicia and the client.
 - 11. (Canceled)

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- 12. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1 wherein the previously collected survey results include a composite survey response.
- KRASS, 13. (Original) The method of Claim 12 wherein the composite survey response is unrelated है to the survey questionnaire.
 - 14. (Original) The method of Claim 12 wherein the composite survey response is generally related to the survey questionnaire.

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- (248) 647-6000 15. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 3 [[1]] wherein the client is denied access to IROY, MICHIGAN 45007-7021 the previously collected survey results if no relationship is found between the indicia and the client.
 - 16. (Original) The method of Claim 1 further comprising the step of assimilating the survey response into a composite survey response.
 - 17. (Currently Amended) A computer implemented system for collecting and disseminating survey information from a Web site, said system comprising:
 - a survey questionnaire system which electronically forwards a survey questionnaire on a product to a requesting client;
- a product ownership verification system which uses information provided by the client to determine ownership by the client of the product which is the subject of the survey questionnuire; and

a survey results system which cither:

forwards requested survey results to the client only if ownership of the product by the client is determined, and only after the questionnaire is received from the client[[.]], or rejects the client's request for the survey results if a response to the survey questionnaire is not received from the client.

- 18. (Original) The system of Claim 17 wherein the verification system utilizes a database to georrelate the information provided by the client with ownership of the product by the client.
 - 19. (Original) The system of Claim 18 wherein the verification system utilizes a database publicly accessible via the internet.
- 20. (Original) The system of C....based database accessible via the internet. 20. (Original) The system of Claim 18 wherein the verification system utilizes a subscription

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- 21. (Original) The system of Claim 17 wherein the verification system utilizes a VIN number to determine ownership of an automobile vehicle.
- 22. (Original) The system of Claim 17 wherein the verification system grants access to the survey results system upon verifying ownership of the product by the client.
- 23. (Original) The system of Claim 17 wherein the verification system denies access to the survey results system upon the inability to verify ownership of the product by the client.
- 24. (Original) The system of Claim 17 further comprising an incentive system whereby the client is entered into a drawing upon completion of a survey questionnaire.
- DR., SUITE 330, P.O. BOX 25. (Original) The system of Claim 24 wherein a prize of the drawing in the incentive system is one of the following group: a monetary payoff of a loan taken out by the client to purchase the product; a monetary payoff of a specified number of loan or lease payments by the s client to acquire the product; and fixed monetary amount.
- 26. (Original) The system of Claim 17 wherein the survey questionnaire system includes software adapted to forward a survey questionnaire to be completed and electronically returned to The survey questionnaire system.
- 27. (Original) The system of Claim 17 wherein the survey results system includes software adapted to update a survey answers database upon completion and return of the survey questionnaire by the client.
- 28. (Original) The system of Claim 17 further comprising a client registration system gincluding software which manages data regarding clients previously utilizing the system and including a registered member database.

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- 29. (Original) The system of Claim 17 wherein the survey questionnaire relates to automotive vehicles.
- 30. (Original) The system of Claim 17 wherein the requested survey results relates to automotive vehicles.
- 31. (New) The method of claim 1, further including the steps of: receiving by the survey collector identifying indicia from the client; correlating the identifying indicia with a database to determine if the client is a registered member; and

providing access to the previously collected survey results only if the client is also a registered member.